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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 17 February 1969

DD/I called attention to the recent designation of Warren Nutter as head of ISA. Nutter formerly worked in ORR (1951-1952) and most recently has held a professorship in economics at the University of Virginia. He is known to have been critical of Agency estimates on the Soviet economy, feeling that they were on the low side. His appointment has not been publicly announced, but EA-DCI observed that he has confirming information [redacted]

D/ONE noted that USIB is scheduled to meet Thursday on NIE 11-69, Basic Factors and Main Tendencies in Current Soviet Policy. The Director noted that he will be unable to attend this meeting and suggested that consideration of this NIE be postponed until next week.

DD/S reported that he and Houston are planning to attend a DOD hearing [redacted] pending security clearance. The Director concurred in their plans, which were described as an effort to indicate Agency willingness to provide data that may be requested in the course of the hearing.

In connection with the President's forthcoming trip, DD/S noted that Headquarters has issued cable instructions to the field in order to avoid any delays in transmitting security information from the field to the Secret Service.

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Carver reported that there was a rash of 147 incidents over the weekend but that there were no major developments in the Tet truce.

Carver called attention to a message from Ambassador Bunker to Under Secretary U. Alexis Johnson.

Carver reported that the Agency did not participate in the Hudson Institute seminar. The Director noted that the Hudson Institute is important in the eyes of some senators and urged that the Agency not become involved.

Maury called attention to the Director's briefing of Senator Javits this afternoon, and the Director asked that Maury and [redacted] of OCI join him in the Senator's office.

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Maury noted that Senator McClellan is the No. 2 man on the Agency's Senate Appropriations Subcommittee and pointed to the advantages of eliciting his support in connection with the Ervin bill. The Director suggested that Senator McClellan's support could probably best be obtained through Senator Jackson.

Maury reported the death of Senator Jackson's sister, and the Director asked that Maury obtain her full name so that he can send the Senator a letter of condolence.

Houston called attention to a memorandum summarizing DOD/CIA understandings on equipment cost-sharing for certain items submitted to the 303 Committee.

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DD/P reported that he and C/WH encountered student editor Ed Martys outside the White House on Saturday. Martys related that Friday's briefing of student editors was most useful, and the Executive Director

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discussion the Director complimented the participants in Friday's briefing and observed that, in his judgment, the exercise was a net gain.

\*The Director asked that the DD/S&T and Maury satisfy themselves that the briefing materials are in readiness for his 20 February appearance before the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. Maury is to determine whether the Director's testimony must be filed with the Committee twenty-four hours in advance.

The Director asked Maury whether he is scheduled to appear before the full Senate Appropriations Committee on 21 February or whether he had been successful in postponing it until the following week. Maury reported that he is checking on this matter now.

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Goodwin called attention to Life magazine's coverage of two Soviet Pueblo-type ships off Ghana.

Goodwin noted Carl Rowan's possible interest in doing a piece on Soviet/Cuban diplomatic offensives in Latin America.

Goodwin reported that the foreign participants in the Washington Journalism Center's seminar are due to depart and that ten or twelve of the American seminar participants may be asking for an Agency briefing in the near future.

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L. K. White

\*Extracted and sent to action officer